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In re application of: Williamson, Charles G. )  
Application No.: 10/001,253 ) Group No.: 2171  
Filed: 11/01/2001 ) Examiner: To be assigned  
For: Intelligent Household Networked )  
Appliances )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION

I. This replies to the NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION (Form PTOL-458) mailed December 19, 2001.

A copy of the NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION (Form PTOL-458) is enclosed.

COMPLETION OF INFORMALITIES

II. To complete the informalities noted on the NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, applicant submits herewith:

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a new Declaration, bearing the above application number and filing date, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63, and showing the post office address and the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence;

new drawings complying with the size requirements; and

a check in the amount of \$1602 to cover the required filing fee and surcharge.

#### **EXTENSION OF TIME**

**III.** Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

#### **FEE PAYMENT**

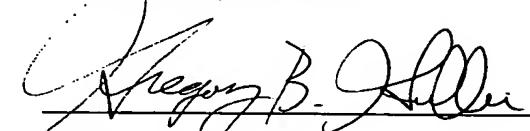
**IV.** Please charge Account No. 19-3140 for any extension fee which may be due with regard to this conditional petition.

A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$732.
  - \$648 for 36 total claims over 20.
  - \$84 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1602.

888888 The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

740.00 84.00 648.00 130.00 The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - Drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, and copy marks.

- drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(l) and (p)(1));

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